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THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT NEWSLETTER

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TOWN HALL NEWS

Beginning August 6, preliminary drawings of Town Hall will be available for review at Town Hall and online on the Town's website www.dhaz.gov. Please call Town Hall for an appointment to pick up a drawing. Council will review the preliminary drawings on August 11. Comments can be made at the meeting or submitted in advance to Tim Mattix @ TimMattix@dhaz.gov.

ELECTION NEWS

The upcoming Primary Election date is August 4. The closest Vote Center for Dewey-Humboldt is Gateway Baptist Church located at 12900 E. Prescott Dells Ranch Rd. The hours of operation on Election Day are 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. A drop box for election ballots is also located outside of Town Hall, on the south side of the parking lot. The drop box will remain open 24/7 until 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Candidates for Mayor (2-year term) are: Karen Brooks & John Hughes Candidates for Town Council (4-year term) are:

Glen Blomgren & Amy L. Lance

the October 5 is voter deadline registration for the **November 3** General Election.

If you have questions, please contact Tim Mattix 928-632-7362 or the County Recorder 928-771-3248, or visit https://www.yavapai.us/ electionsvr/ or www.dhaz.gov.



NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET ADOPTED

In March, the Town Council completed a survey of what the six strategic issues of the Town would be for the FY21 Budget. The strategic survey establishes a road map for activities and initiatives that will achieve the vision for the Town and will assist the Town to capitalize on opportunities to advance key initiatives. This plan is designed to highlight key activities in support of stated priorities and goals over a period next fiscal year. The following are the top six priorities ranked by the Town Council for the financial sustainability: Town: infrastructure and facilities; economic development; managed growth; quality of life; and organizational development. These strategic priorities were then taken into consideration in building the Town's FY21 Budget.

This year's budget process was different than prior years due to the COVID-19 crisis. Staff has created two estimates for revenues/expenses for FY21.

The revenues that were adopted are the Town's "Ceiling Budget" if the economy rebounds faster than anticipated. They also developed a revenue projection for the General Fund and the Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF), as those are the ones that may be the most economically impacted by COVID-19. Every revenue was looked at to determine what impact the shutdown of the economy would have on it. The difference between the "Ceiling Budget" and the "COVID-19 Budget" will need to be made up of either departmental budget expense reductions, postponing capital projects, using fund balance or a combination of all three. However, due to the reduction in expenditures, the Town may not have to use fund balance for either scenario for the FY21 Budget, as expenditures are projected to be lower than revenues in each projection.

For the projected expenditures for FY21, each department was asked to review each line item and look at

expenditures that could be postponed and were not an immediate expense that would impact the health, safety or welfare of our citizens. These amounts are then going to be placed into a COVID-19 reserve in each department and will be reviewed in December to determine if funds can or need to be moved back into line items.

The increase in funds for the FY21 Budget is due to a slight increase in the general fund for local sales taxes and interest revenues and a capital project fund for a USDA loan in the amount of \$1,000,000 for a new Town Hall.

On May 12, preliminary estimates of the budget were presented to the Town Council for review and, on June 16, after due public notice, Town Council adopted the FY21 Budget. The FY21 Budget can be viewed on the Town's website. <u>Click on Government,</u> <u>Services and Functions, Finance,</u> <u>Financial Reports, Budget, FY 2020-21</u> Final Budget. A fall workshop will be conducted to review and potentially update the Town's strategic priorities.

RURAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GRANT (RBDG) FUNDING

The Town will be conducting initial meetings with local businesses to discuss this 2021 Grant funding program offered by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Input from business owners will then be brought to Council to discuss the best options for a Town program.

Look for future communications from the Town for upcoming meeting dates and invitations to local business owners.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

ROADWORK

The Monsoon Season is upon us now (officially June 15 to September 30). Monsoons are associated with heavy rainfall and can cause great damage. Flash flooding is a serious danger. Dry washes can become raging rivers in an instant, even when no storms are visible around you.

After storms have been in the area, Public Works Operators will be out cleaning roadways and ditches.

Please keep an eye out for the guys when they are working in our roadways. Stay safe everyone!



GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

The Town has appointed the Steering Committee members for the General Plan update. Due to COVID-19 and Town Hall currently being closed, the first meeting has been delayed indefinitely. For more information regarding the General Plan, check out the new dedicated page titled General Plan Update on the Town's website.



PERMITS ISSUED

The Building Department issued 15 permits in June 2020:

Electric:	1
Grading:	1
Other Buildings:	5
Plumbing:	1
Right of Way:	1
Solar:	2
Temporary Housing:	1
Zoning:	3

DECKS

Are you thinking about constructing a deck? Here is some helpful information from our Building Official.

A building permit shall not be required for an uncovered deck, platform, walk and driveway, that are not more than 30 inches above grade at any point, and do not serve the exit door required by Section R311.4 on the International Residential Code. A building permit is also not required for a deck, the walking surface of which is not more than 30 inches above the surrounding grade and less than 120 sq. ft. of the surface area.

Although a building permit is not required for a deck, a zoning clearance permit *is required* to verify property line setbacks on the property, if the deck is larger than 200 sq. ft.

If you have questions about building, zoning or setbacks, please feel free to give us a call.

GOT RECYCLING?



Do you have items that could be recycled and not sure how or where to dispose of them?

The City of Prescott offers recycling for

Yavapai County residents at its Transfer Station located at 2800 Sundog Ranch Road, just north of Prescott Lakes Parkway, off Highway 89.

When you arrive at the Transfer Station, you will find blue bins that are used for the recyclable materials. There is no fee for recyclable materials.

What items can be recycled?

Cardboard; paper; food boxes; mail; beverage cans; food cans; glass bottles; jars (glass & plastic); jugs; and #1 & #2 plastic bottles.

Please note recyclable materials should not be bagged.

What items cannot be recycled?

Paperback or hardbound books; grass, yard and/or food waste; plastic bags; Styrofoam; unrecyclable caps and lids; diapers; and medical tubes.

Some other items that the Transfer Station accepts are washers, dryers, hot water heaters, and stoves. Refrigerators, air conditioners and

freezers are accepted *if* they have all chlorofluorocarbons (refrigerants) evacuated prior to acceptance. They *must be* accompanied by an invoice from the licensed professional who completed the evacuation. The minimum fee is \$11.00 for up to 300 lbs., additional 100 lbs. @ \$3.45. Analog TVs are also accepted at this rate.

Electronics, such as audio-visual equipment, laptops without batteries, computer components, monitors and flat screen TVs can also be recycled and dropped off inside the Transfer Station at no charge.

In addition to the above, the Transfer Station operates a site for the disposal of used motor oil, antifreeze and cooking oil (in the original containers), (5-gallon max each). There is no charge for recycling from individuals.

Tires can be disposed of at the Yavapai County Tire Yard, located south of the Transfer Station. The first five passenger tires/year are free. There is a charge for additional tires or heavier tires. For more information, please call Yavapai County Public Works at 928-771-3183.

Alkaline batteries no longer contain hazardous materials and may be thrown away in the garbage. Rechargeable batteries can be recycled and are accepted at most battery retailers. Vehicle batteries *cannot* be disposed of in the garbage. Check with your local auto parts store or battery retailer for disposal options.

The Prescott City Code requires that any load coming into the Transfer Station be contained and covered.

If you have questions or comments regarding recycling, please contact the Transfer Station at 928-777-1116. The Transfer Station is open 8:00-4:00 Monday-Saturday. Their website is: http://www.prescott-az.gov/services-safety/trash-pickup-recycling/recycling/.

READY, SET, GO! Prepare now. Be alert. Evacuate!

Learn more at ein.az.gov





Register for "Code Red"
http://www.ycsoaz.gov/community/emergency-preparedness/ens/

2020 CENSUS

The U.S. Census Bureau has resumed conducting in-person interviews associated with its ongoing household surveys in 21 states, including those associated with the Current Population Survey and the American Community Survey. Some states will be fully open, while others will have only certain areas where operations will occur. The Census Bureau will first still attempt to collect information over the phone or online when possible and only expects to have to conduct in-person interviews to an expected less than 1.000 households. The Census Bureau will update an online map each week showing where in-person interviews are taking place.

In March 2020, the Census Bureau temporarily switched from visiting survey participant's households to calling them amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the National Processing Center (NPC) halted mailing out forms but will resume all mailout operations for surveys. Specifically, they will resume operations in time for August Current Population Survey interviewing, and September interviewing for all other surveys.

In addition to the census every 10 years, the Census Bureau conducts more than 100 ongoing surveys to collect timely information about the nation's people, places and economy. Responses to ongoing surveys help produce accurate, reliable statistics on employment, infrastructure, education, economic opportunities and other important characteristics of community. This information helps policymakers, local officials, companies and organizations to understand and assess the resources and needs of communities across the country.

"Your response to Census Bureau surveys is as important now as it ever has been. Our communities need accurate and timely information to make informed decisions," said Census Bureau Director Dr. Steven Dillingham. "During this unprecedented time, the health and safety of our employees and the public continue to be the Census Bureau's top priority. We are closely following public health guidance to ensure that we can safely accomplish our important mission."

The following surveys will resume in-

person interviews and mailing of paper forms: American Community; Current Population; Consumer Expenditures; National Ambulatory Medical Care; National Crime Victimization; National Health Interview; National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care; Survey of Construction; and Survey of Market Absorption.

What Households Can Expect

Even though in-person interviews are resuming, the Census Bureau will first still attempt to collect information over the phone or online when possible. If a response is not obtained by phone, an in-person interview is required. For those that can be completed over the phone, households selected participate in a Census Bureau survey can expect to receive an introduction letter in the mail inviting the household call a Census Bureau field representative to schedule a phone interview. The Census Bureau may attempt to call the household and encourage the household to answer the survey over the phone. If no response is received by phone, a Census Bureau field representative will come to the house for an in-person interview. All letters from the Census Bureau inviting households participate in a survey will contain instructions on how to participate, as well as information on how to verify the letter.

The field representatives will follow public health guidelines when they visit, including any local requirements about wearing face masks. All field representatives must complete virtual COVID-19 training on social distancing protocols and other health and safety guidance before beginning their work in neighborhoods.

The field representatives can be identified by their valid government ID badge with their photograph, a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark, and an expiration date. To confirm a representative's identity, the public may contact their Regional Office.



Through the Town's website you can sign in and subscribe to *Notify Me. Notify Me* allows you to subscribe to an unlimited number of email or text message lists to receive updates and information about community news & other calendar events.

MEETING DATES

Town Council Chambers 2735 S. Hwy. 69, Humboldt (unless otherwise posted)

Regular Council Meetings
August 4 & 18 @ 6:30 p.m.

Council Work Sessions
August 11 @ 6:30 p.m.

P & Z Meetings

September 3 @ 6:00 p.m. Cancelled

Instructions for viewing and participating in meetings are posted on the Town's website, www.dhaz.gov. Meetings are held via Granicus and Zoom. Comments can be submitted to TimMattix@dhaz.gov, no later than 3:30 p.m., on the day of meeting. Please identify agenda item and your full name.

For updated information on how the meeting will be held, virtually or in-person, visit the website or call 928-632-7362.

Citizens may have an item placed on the agenda by contacting a Council Member or by filling out a Presentation Request Form available on the website or at Town Hall.

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DEWEY-HUMBOLDT TOWN LIBRARY NEWS

2735 Corral St., Humboldt 632-5049 Tues, Wed & Fri: 10-5 (Closed 12-12:30 for lunch) Thurs 12:30-7, Sat 10-2 (Closed Sunday & Monday)



August Reading Challenge Hey Kids! Check out these amazing books for August! Happy Reading!



Augustus and His Smile by Catherine Rayner



The Lion & the Mouse by Jerry Pinkney



If I were a Lion by Sarah Weeks



How I Spent My Summer Vacation by Mark Teague



Summer Days and Nights by Herbert Wong Yee



Goodbye Summer, Hello Fall By Kenard Pak



I See Fall by Charles Ghigna



Leo the Late Bloomer by Robert Kraus



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Just search "@YCFLD"



Move the Body, Quiet the Mind
Yoga & Meditation Classes
Join us for 1 hour of virtual yoga,
followed by 15 minutes of meditation on
Facebook @ YCFLD & YCFLD YouTube Channel

Hatha Yoga with David Every Wednesday @ 3pm





Sattva Kriya Yoga with Simona Every Thursday @ 10am

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Author's Corner: Catherine Rayner Author and Illustrator













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